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We print elsewhere an interesting and valuable article from the *Edinburgh Medical Review* on the subject of small-pox and its prevention by vaccination. It is the best and most reliable information on the subject that is within reach of a newspaper. The writer is a physician of the highest rank, and withal a practitioner of many years standing in the largest hospitals in England. We commend the article to a careful examination. Those who read it can hardly fail to be convinced of the entire safety and efficacy of vaccination and especially of re-vaccination.

OUR Democratic friends constantly adduce the peculations and defalcations occurring, from time to time, in the Federal government as an offset to the rascalities in New York, and from the conclusions that they draw, we might almost infer that official corruption was the normal condition of government. That there should be, as there always has been, dishonesty in the administration of public offices is, unfortunately, no matter of surprise or novelty. The Federal government, under whatever administration, can claim no exemption from this. The bad eminence of New York is that there corruption has been the rule, not the exception; that there the plunder of the public has been reduced to a science; that thieves, known to be such, have been elected to the most responsible places, and have stolen the public money without let or hindrance. When a thief is detected in the Federal administration, he is arrested, tried, and if convicted, is sent to the State prison; in New York he is put at the head of a department that expends millions of the public money, where he defies the men whom he has robbed, and goes on robbing. The peculations under the Federal government are so closely watched and followed up, that they are trifling in comparison with the great amount of money that passes through so many hands. In New York they reach to half the price of the revenues of the city; they commence in the highest quarters and go down through all the grades of service, till the city government has become a den of thieves. The attempt to offset this by a few peculations, followed up vigorously and punished promptly, is an insult to the common sense of the people.

The Theory Upon Which Virginia has Proceeded in the Apportionment of the Debt Between Herself and West Virginia.

To the Editors of the Intelligencer:

The funding bill passed by the last Legislature of Virginia, to which I alluded yesterday, sets forth, among other things, that inasmuch as one-third of the former population and territory of Virginia is now included within the limits of the State of West Virginia it is therefore proper and right that the latter should assume a corresponding proportion of the debt of Virginia, viz, one-third. And therefore the bill proceeds to assign two-thirds of the said debt to Virginia and to leave the remaining one-third for settlement with West Virginia.

I observe that Judge Meredith, of Richmond, has given an opinion sustaining this proceeding of the Virginia Legislature. After quoting a number of authorities bearing upon the general question of joint and several liability in cases where States are divided during the pendency of a debt, he deduces from the sum of these opinions the following corollary:

"That if a State be divided into two or more States, the debts which have been contracted by the whole before division are, unless they have been the subject of a special agreement, ratably binding upon the other parts in proportion to the territory and population."

The Richmond *Whig*, in calling attention to this opinion of Judge Meredith, takes occasion to add also the weight of its own opinion to that of the Judge and the Legislature. It says that the views of the former respecting the apportionment of the debt between Virginia and West Virginia are sustained by international usage. That usage, so uniform and of such long continuance as to require all the force of law, assigns to each a part of the common debt proportioned to its territory and population."

While, however, the *Whig* expresses this opinion as to the settled principles of law governing such cases, it is but fair to add that it so far qualifies their applicability to the particular case under consideration with the remark that "Virginia would not object to go behind the rule and consider the equities."

This is an important qualification, even admitting the rule which Judge Meredith and the *Whig* adduce in vindication of the act of their Legislature in partitioning off to one-third of their debt, as it existed eight years after our formal separation from them, under National authority, and ten years after the Old State had, by her own acts, agreed to let the debt accumulate, which acts were war upon the General Government and this State, and the confiscation of so much of the principal and interest of the debt as was held by those who adhered to either.

Admitting, however, the general application of the rule as quoted, even under the circumstances named, there still remain the "equities" referred to by the *Whig*. In the estimation of most West Virginians these equities have a very essential bearing on the adjustment of the debt question. And the *Whig* itself supplies one of them, although it did not intend to do so, when it refers, almost derisively, to the inferiority of West Virginia, as compared to the East and the Valley. Upon this point I will quote its language, as follows:

"Documents exist—they were collected for the use of the Convention of 1850—which show that the counties of Old Virginia, now comprising West Virginia, never self-supporting; never paid as much revenue into the common treasury as they cost; that they drew out of the treasury more money than they paid into it, and that this excess would amount to the whole debt of the State. In old times East Virginia and the Valley paid all the taxes, and West Virginia lived and fattened on those districts."

This statement is made by the *Whig* to strengthen the opinion with which it pre-

ceded it as to the Legislature having made a warrantable apportionment of the debt between the Old and the New State. Apparently the fact that, like a two edged sword, this statement cuts also in an other direction from that intended by the editor has escaped his attention. And yet it is not almost a contradiction in terms to defend in one sentence the action of the Virginia Legislature and in the next to expose this disparagingly the opinion that West Virginia was never more than in name the one-third portion of the old State? Did it not occur to him that his reference to the roughness and barrenness of so much of our soil and the sparseness and poverty of our population, as compared with the other two districts named by him, constituted one of our "equities," or, in other words, was one reason why our people will fail to be convinced that the action of the Virginia Legislature was warrantable under the circumstances.

But it is probably not worth while to waste many words upon this point. History will perhaps show that nearly every part of Virginia while in process of settlement was unproductive. That we were kept in the backwoods longer than other portions was no fault of our own. The responsibility rests with those who were content to use so simply as a breakwater protection for the great overshadowing slave interest and to do so little to develop our resources. This lack of all fostering attention and assistance was one of West Virginia's grievances before the war and constitutes now one of her pleas in abatement of the debt. She to-day confronts Virginia with the items that constitute this debt. She says to her: "I see vast millions spent upon canals, railroads, river improvements, turnpikes, bridges, universities, military institutes, and other public establishments in your midst, but here have I been left almost in a state of nature so far as your aid is concerned. Portions of your country, some of it no better than mine, were made productive by a canal upon which alone you spent upwards of ten millions of dollars. Other portions, of a similar character have been made likewise productive by the three millions and upward that you spent on the Virginia & Tennessee railroad. Other portions again by the millions that you spent on similar railroads running through them. Some of these railroads and your contributions to them are as follows:

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Norfolk and Petersburg	1,341,541
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Virginia and Kentucky	105,345
Alexandria, London and Hampshire	50,868
Chesapeake and Ohio Canal	300,000
Various Navigation Companies	1,600,000
Various turnpikes and roads	2,300,000
To these add, as before mentioned, the Virginia River Canal	10,400,000
Virginia & Tennessee Railroad	3,755,000
And to these add again the sums that were spent on various projects that do not appear in the bonded debt. Together with the items given above, they constitute so many "equities" with which, as I said, the State of West Virginia confronts and accuses the Old State.	

It was anciently said that "all roads lead to Rome." And this ancient policy seems to have been followed in the Virginia system of public improvements so far as making nearly every appropriation conduce to the upbuilding of Richmond. It will be noticed, however, that these vast sums were all expended in what is now Virginia, and that none of them developed an acre of soil within our limits. It is doubtful whether ever before one part of a State, professing theoretically the same rights as any other part, was so conspicuously discriminated against as was West Virginia by the former State of Virginia. Had she never belonged to Virginia but been as she is to-day, her own legislator, or a part of the great State of Pennsylvania, she would not now be merely struggling into something like populous settlement because of the Virginia land titles with which she has been and still is so effectually cursed and because of the incompatability of her geographical position with the internal improvement policy adopted by that State. In view, therefore, of all these facts, and the other "equities" of the case, the Richmond *Dispatch* may well remark that "there is no reason for supposing that West Virginia will ever consent to pay one-third of the debt."

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